

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SOPN, ET

SUBJECT: WESTERN PRESS IN ETHIOPIA

REF: ADDIS ABABA 2911

1. DEPARTMENT SHARES THE CONCERN EXPRESSED IN REFTTEL.  
HOWEVER, IT WOULD APPEAR MORE APPROPRIATE FOR POST TO  
EXPLAIN HAZARDS DIRECTLY TO NEWSMEN WHEN THEY ARE IN  
ETHIOPIA RATHER THAN GOING OUT OF OUR WAY TO GIVE THEM  
OPERATIONAL ADVICE HERE IN WASHINGTON OR IN OTHER  
COUNTRIES.

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2. RAISING THIS ISSUE COULD BE INTERPRETED AS AN ATTEMPT  
AT MANAGEMENT OF NEWS. THERE IS ALSO DANGER OF WORD  
CIRCULATING THAT U.S. EMBASSIES ARE BAD-MOUTHING  
ETHIOPIA.

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## Message Attributes

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